



# GUIDE to FOOD and FUN

## In the Torrance and South Bay Area



### South Bay Civic Symphony Presents Concert Thursday

Robert De Simone will be the featured soloist when the Civic Symphony of South Bay and Torrance presents the area premiere of Piano Concerto by Rimsky-Korsakow at Redondo Union High School Auditorium on Thursday, Dec. 5.

The musical gifts and immense technical skill of soloist Robert De Simone have brought him many honors and awards. He spent last season in New York and is now teaching at Charles Drew High School, Los Angeles, where he is in charge of the music department. He recently spent a summer accompanying for Jascha Heifetz. A native of the South Bay, he graduated from Redondo High School and finished at U.S.C. His wide ex-

perience as a concert pianist brought him an invitation to appear with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in London, England. In 1963, he was soloist with the South Bay Civic Symphony and was enthusiastically received.

The concert, which will be dedicated to the memory of Viola Niland, former secretary of the symphony group will start at 8:15 p.m. Conductor Elyse Aehle has chosen Mendelssohn's "Scotch Symphony" and Dances Polovtsiennes by A. Borodin to round out the musical program.

Reserved seat reservations are available at the Civic Symphony office, 617 Via Montemar, Palos Verdes Estates, or by calling 375-2744.

### Torrance Hi Seniors Plan Annual Play

Rehearsals are underway for Torrance High School's annual senior play, "The Mouse That Roared," adapted by Christopher Sergel from Leonard Wibberly's best seller. The comedy to be presented by the Class of 1964 on Friday, Dec. 6, in the high school auditorium.

According to Charles R. Slater, Torrance High School drama instructor and faculty director, "The Mouse That Roared" is one of the freshest comedies to come along in years. It is the story of a grand upheaval in the post World War II era. When the rulers of a tiny European country propose to solve their economic problems with a plan that directly affects the United States, what happens is both fantastic and uproarious.



**LITTLE VALERIE** Rapprecht, 3, and her brother, David, 5, are fascinated by the miniature and giant-size toy soldiers from Denmark, part of the "Discovery of Play" world toys exhibit now at the California Museum of Science and Industry, Exposition Park. Their guide is Howard Edgerton, president of the Museum Board.

### Concert Program Set At Marymount Saturday

Selections by Handel, Bartok, Mozart, Bach and Haydn will be heard when the Marymount College Instrumental Ensemble presents a concert on Saturday, December 7th, on the Palos Verdes Estates campus.

Michael Zearott of the college music department serves as conductor, and guest artists include flutist Susan Greenberg, cellist Beverly Lauridsen and bass violist Chris Farber.

Programmed are Sonata

for Flute by Handel, Bartok's Violin Duets, Piano Quartet in G. Major by Mozart, Bach's Double Concerto and Kinder-Symphonie by Haydn.

Also participating will be Sandra Karol, Dianne Plummer and Cathy Ucker, violinists, Anna Meyer, violist, and Michael Zearott pianist.

There is no admission charge for the concert, which will begin at 8:15 p.m. in the Lounge of St. Gertrude's Hall. It was previously scheduled for November 24th.

**TRIALS**  
Difficulties mastered are opportunities won.  
—Winston Churchill

**TRIALS**  
The difficulties, hardships and trials of life, the obstacles one encounters on the road to fortune are positive blessings.

**HUMILITY**  
One can never go up, until one has gone down in his own esteem.  
and perfection is no trifle.  
—Mary Baker Eddy

**PREACHING**  
The error of the ages is preaching without practice.  
—Mary Baker Eddy

### Poland Premiere Dancers Open Series of Performances

Merry Christmas! The magnificent Mazowsze, Poland's premiere Dance Company and Chrous, which electrified the eastern seaboard two years ago, will be seen for the first time in California, opening a series of festive performances on Christmas night, Wednesday, Dec. 25 at Philharmonic Auditorium.

The handsome, youthful troupe, coming directly here from Warsaw, are bringing over 1000 elaborate costumes in which they will make the stage veritably swirl in brilliant color and swerve. Poles are born dancers and this company, with its accent on youth, reflects freshness, naturalness and exhilarating vitality. Equally inspiring is the Mazowsze Chorus which joyously sings native folk-songs from various sections of Poland.

Mazowsze takes its name from the region near Warsaw in which the company lives, studies and trains for its world-wide tours. Two distinguished Polish artists, the late Tadeusz Sygletynski and his wife Mira Zaminska were responsible for founding and training the company.

They auditioned over 5000 youngsters before selecting the most talented from all parts of Poland. Melodies and dances from their home villages have been incorporated into the repertoire. The company has achieved the founder's aim, to recreate for the stage, and make theatrically effective, the traditional songs and dances of Poland.

So popular is Mazowsze that it is estimated that more than three million people have witnessed performances in Poland, and more millions during tours of Great Britain, France, Austria, Belgium and the United States. The tour is directed by S. Hurok.

### Greek Theatre Honored By LA City Council

Councilman John C. Halland presented on behalf of the City Council a scroll of honor and a resolution of appreciation to the Greek Theatre Association and its general director, James A. Doolittle (on Wednesday morning, Nov. 27). Councilman Holland's resolution had been seconded by Councilman John S. Gibson, Jr.

The text read, in part: "The City Council on behalf of the people of the city of Los Angeles hereby congratulates, honors and thanks the Greek Theatre Association and Mr. James A. Doolittle, its director, for establishing in the Greek Theatre

a great outdoor theatrical center; for bringing to the people of Los Angeles and to visitors to the city such superb and unique works of the performing arts; for providing such enjoyable entertainment and lasting cultural values; and for inestimably enhancing the prestige and reputation of the city as a center of cultural achievement," and stressed the audience response of 98 per cent of capacity for the past season.

In accepting the scroll, Mr. Doolittle expressed the deep appreciation of the association and hundreds of the support and far-sighted

policy of the City Council in furtherance of the performing arts and cultural growth of the city. He paid tribute to the importance of this policy in the success and present eminence of the city-owned Greek Theatre, in particular.

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